GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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PILOT PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government has launched several pilot projects in the country;

(b)if so, the details thereof, State-wise, location-wise;

(c)the amount earmarked to be spent on these projects, separately; and

(d)the system put in place by the Government to ensure completion of these projects in their stipulated time?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a)to (d) Government of India had launched the Sector Reform Project in 67 districts of 26 States on a pilot basis between 1999-2002.The details thereof are annexed.The Pilot projects were to be implemented over a period of three years and had an approved outlay of Rs.206045.21 lakh of which Government of India share was Rs.192285.30 lakh. However,the projects took some time to take off and the expenditure up to 31-03-2004 remained below the approved project cost. With the launching of Swajaldhara in December 2002, it was decided to close the on-going Sector Reform Pilot Projects by 31-3-2004 and conclude final audit of all schemes, whether complete or incomplete, by 30-06-2004.Incomplete schemes,if any, are to be completed under Swajaldhara.Government of India has been regularly reviewing the progress of Sector Reform Pilot Projects through Review Meetings and visit of Review Missions.